

IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE

In re application of: SHAMBLEN, et al. : Confirmation No.: 7593
Application No.: 10/814,896 : Group Art Unit: 1742
Filed: March 31, 2004 : Examiner: W. ZHU
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For: MELTLESS PREPARATION OF MARTENSITIC STEEL ARTICLES HAVING THERMOPHYSICALLY MELT INCOMPATIBLE ALLOYING ELEMENTS

RESPONSE UNDER 37 C.F.R. 1.116

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Sir:

Please consider the following Response for the above-referenced Application.

INTRODUCTORY COMMENTS

This Response is filed in response to the Final Office Action dated March 7, 2007.

The Amendments to the Specification: None.

The Amendments to the Claims section begins on page 2 of this Response and any amendments to the claims are reflected in the listing of the claims included therein.

The Amendments to the Drawings: None.

The Remarks/Arguments section begins on page 8 of this Response.

The Conclusion section begins on page 28 of this Response.